Size: 280 acres

**Mission:** Provide tactical airlift support

HRS Score: 33.70; placed on NPL in July 1987; deleted from NPL in December 1996

IAG Status: None

Contaminants: Petroleum/oil/lubricants, spent solvents and cleaners, battery acid,

paint wastes, PCBs, and chlorinated hydrocarbons

Media Affected: Groundwater, surface water, sediment, and soil

Funding to Date: \$4.3 million

Estimated Cost to Completion (Completion Year): \$0 (FY1998)

Final Remedy in Place or Response Complete Date for All Sites: FY1998



# Minneapolis, Minnesota

# **Restoration Background**

The Minneapolis-St. Paul Air Reserve Base in Minneapolis, Minnesota, is a small base that has provided support to the military since 1955. The primary area of environmental concern at the installation has been the Small Arms Range Landfill, located on a noncontiguous property 2 miles from the main installation on the Minnesota River. The landfill was used as a solid waste disposal area from 1963 to 1972 and contains primarily general refuse. However, the landfill also may have been used to dispose of industrial wastes.

The landfill has undergone a Preliminary Assessment and Site Inspection, followed by a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study. A Proposed Plan was completed in FY91, and the Record of Decision (ROD) was signed in early FY92. The Remedial Design and Remedial Action (RA) for the landfill, including design and construction of a groundwater and surface water monitoring program coupled with natural attenuation, was completed in FY92. In FY94 and FY95, the volatile organic compound levels detected in groundwater samples from the landfill were all below the levels established in the ROD.

The installation had one other site of interest (not listed on the National Priorities List [NPL]), a former spill area. The RA implemented in FY91 included a groundwater extraction and treatment system to contain, extract, and treat free product at the site.

In FY96, the installation published in the *Federal Register* a notice of intent to delete the base from the NPL. In December 1996, the site was deleted from the NPL. In FY97, remedial operations and monitoring at the former spill area continued, and an updated fact sheet was completed for all sites. A 5-year

statutory review to complete site closure began in 1997 and will continue as long as EPA concludes that hazardous waste is present on site.

The installation printed an annual public notice in the local newspaper to promote interest in formation of a Restoration Advisory Board.

### **FY98 Restoration Progress**

Remedial operations and monitoring at the former spill site continued.

The installation received regulatory concurrence on final closure of all restoration sites within the installation. Remedial systems formerly in operation at the spill area site have been dismantled. The installation has finished all environmental restoration activity.

#### **Plan of Action**

No further action is required for any sites at this installation.

# FY99 Funding by Phase and Relative Risk

No future costs are expected at this installation.

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